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Project Summary	Interns will research topics and events related to the national preserve and write articles (500 to 1000 words) that will be published in local newspapers and on the preserve's website. These news style articles should embrace standard journalistic techniques, including interviews and quotes.
Country	United States
Agency	National Park Service
DoS Office	N/A
Post	N/A
Section	N/A
Number of Interns	2

# **Project Description**

Interns will research topics and events related to the national preserve and write articles (500 to 1000 words) that will be published in local newspapers and on the preserve's website. A schedule and due dates will be set by the interns and supervisors at the beginning of this project, with the goal of producing one article a month.

Topics might include; ecosystems in the preserve, vegetation, birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians, endangered and threatened species, fire management, the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe, the Big Thicket preservation movement, the east Texas timber industry, the legacy of hunting and trapping in east Texas and much more.

These individuals will work independently to gather information from government documents, primary source material, agency reports, interviews with current park staff and independent/university researchers working in the preserve. This information will need to be refined into clear and well written text.

### **Desired Skills Interests**

## **Additional Information**

Big Thicket National Preserve's Website: www.nps.gov/bith Additional Information about Big Thicket National Preserve on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter @BigThicketNPS.

Big Thicket National Preserve is located in Southeast Texas, near the city of Beaumont and 75 miles northeast of Houston. The preserve consists of nine land units and six water corridors encompassing more than 113,000 acres. The Big Thicket, often referred to as a "biological crossroads," is a transition zone between four distinct vegetation types – the moist eastern hardwood forest, the southwestern desert, the southeastern swamp, and the central prairies. Species from all of these different vegetation types come together in the thicket, exhibiting a variety of vegetation and wildlife that has received global interest.

# Language Requirements

None